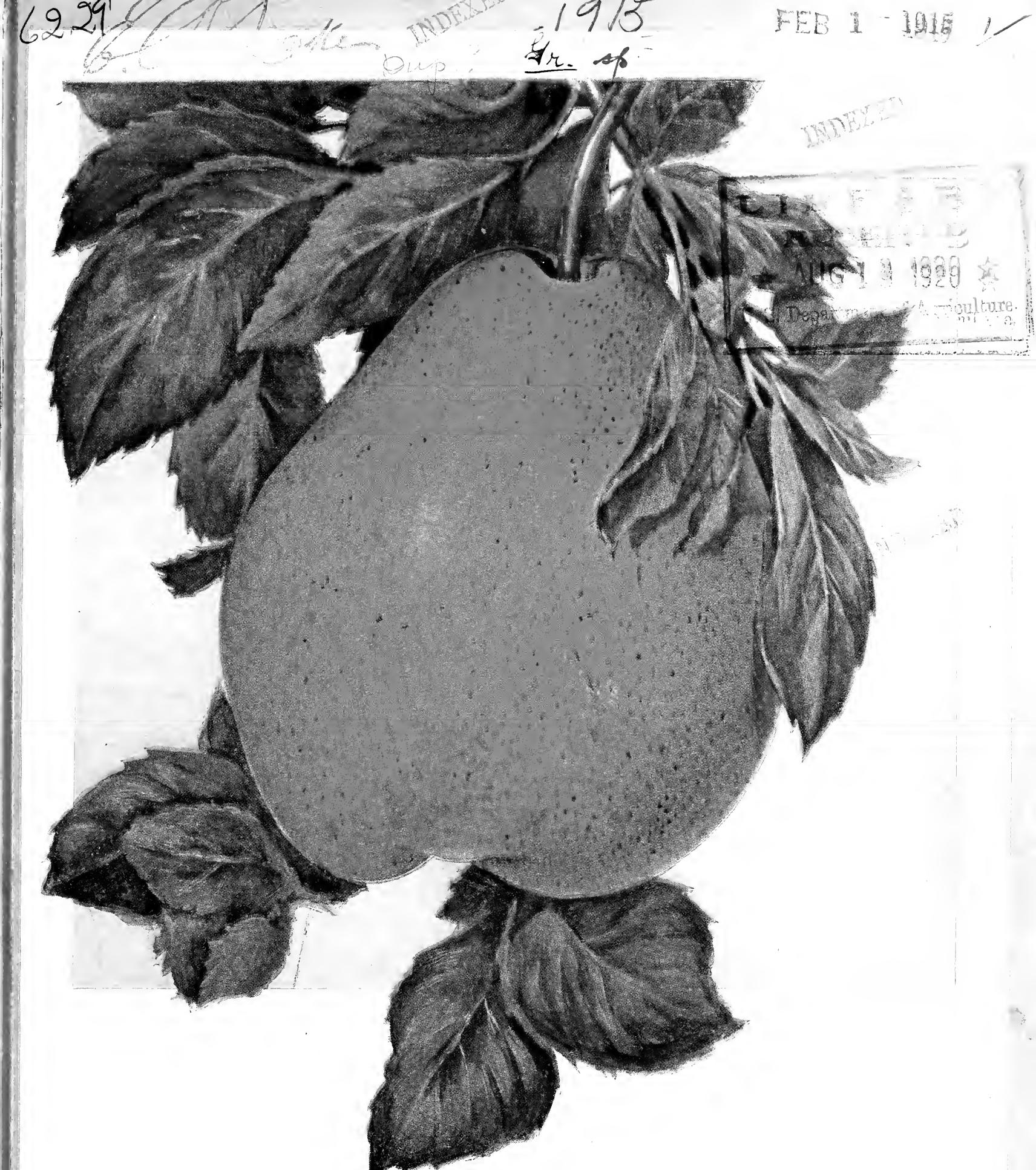


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Two year old GRIESA-DOUGLAS tree, bearing crop of enormous and delicious pears.



The Griesa-Douglas Pear

Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit, but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

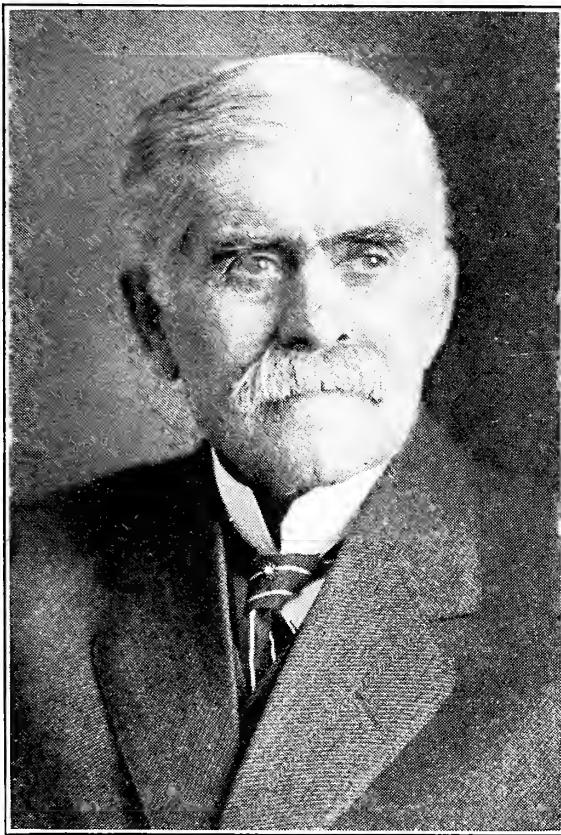
Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

—Matthew.

Originated in Douglas County, Kansas, and
Sold only by

MOUNT HOPE NURSERIES
LAWRENCE, KANSAS
ESTABLISHED 1869

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Mr. A. H. Griesa, who discovered and named the GRIESA-DOUGLAS PEAR, and who says: "I believe it has a future which no other fruit has filled or can fill."

(Umbrella Catalpa). These varieties are mentioned in every nursery catalog published in the country, the products being admitted leaders in their respective classes. Such achievements offer every assurance of the very high rank which the GRIESA-DOUGLAS PEAR will quickly attain in the world of horticulture. The name "GRIESA-DOUGLAS" was given to the pear to distinguish it from the brood of imitators already springing up.

A. H. Griesa is now seventy-one years old. He realizes that the GRIESA-DOUGLAS PEAR is his masterpiece, and says: "I believe it the most promising fruit I ever grew, and that it has a future which no other fruit can fill or has filled." As he cannot now do it himself, he is proud to have us do the developing of this variety, knowing that the MOUNT HOPE NURSERIES provide abundant capital and complete facilities. After having had specimens of the tree tested in localities all over the United States and satisfied ourselves as to its remarkable character, we now offer for sale standard young trees from the original GRIESA-DOUGLAS, which, it has been authoritatively stated, is destined to become the most widely planted pear tree in the United States.

MOUNT HOPE NURSERIES,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Griesa (pronounced Gree-say).

The Griesa-Douglas---at last a pear that is blight resistant.



The luscious GRIESA-DOUGLAS.

The past few years have been witness to remarkable developments in the apple industry throughout the country; extended displays of every variety from delicious Jonathans to the inglorious Ben Davis have been shown on any and every occasion—but the pear, most luscious of fruits ever known, has remained neglected.

Critics term a good pear the most delicious fruit that grows. It is, however, the rarest fruit in the markets and seldom seen in even the largest horticultural shows. At a recent meeting of the American Pomological Society in

Washington, D. C., not more than three varieties of pears were shown. Records of reliable nurserymen prove that pear trees have been planted by the thousands over large areas, yet, with the exception of one or two varieties growing in especially favored districts, pears are not well known to the general public.

The situation is inconsistent and there are reasons for this, the most disheartening of all being found in the destructive ravages of what is termed "blight."



Blight either kills or greatly injures nearly all pear trees before they reach a bearing age. It comes without warning, and the vigor of the trees seems to have no effect in warding it off. Its wholesale destruction has never been conquered or successfully treated as have most other plant diseases. A blight resisting pear will therefore make its way quickly to the head of the list of all pear varieties.

The parent tree from which our GRIESA-DOUGLAS trees have been propagated still stands where it grew from the seed nineteen years ago, and bears annual crops of splendid fruit. Until recently it has been much crowded, standing in a row with other varieties of pears. Many years these neighboring trees have been full of blight, their blighting branches growing through and intermingling with the GRIESA-DOUGLAS, but in spite of this the parent tree **does not blight**.

It may not have been fully demonstrated that the GRIESA - DOUGLAS is blight immune, but in offering this pear now to thousands of customers we wish to state positively that in the length of our knowledge and study of the variety, blight has never appeared under our observation either on the original tree or any GRIESA - DOUGLAS tree in the nursery row.

It puts new hope in pear growers to see these young GRIESA-DOUGLAS trees in bearing. This branch of seventeen GRIESA-DOUGLAS pears was taken from a four-year-old tree.



“The vigor and healthfulness of the tree, (Griesa-Douglas) and especially its *freedom from blight*, make it a promising new variety, and one that should be widely tested.”—*Year Book of U. S. Department of Agriculture*.

Up to the discovery of the GRIESA-DOUGLAS, the Kieffer pear had been considered the most nearly free from blight injury. More recent years, however, have shown the Kieffer to be susceptible to blight to a marked degree.

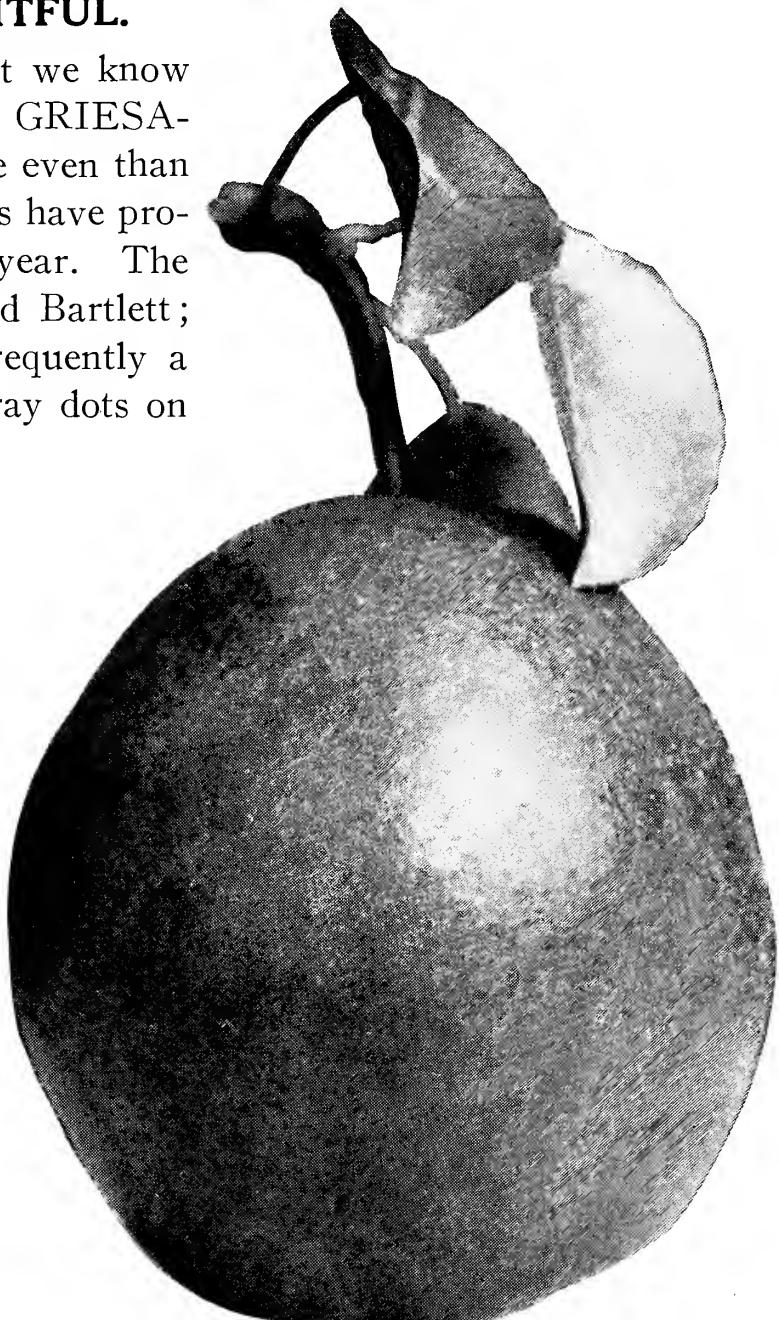
The Kieffer is a hybrid, produced from crossing the Oriental sand pear with a European variety. In the GRIESA-DOUGLAS the Kieffer was crossed with the Duchesse d'Angouleme, producing fruit which has all the sturdiness of the Kieffer, but none of its coarseness and inferiority of flavor.

NO OTHER TREE SO FRUITFUL.

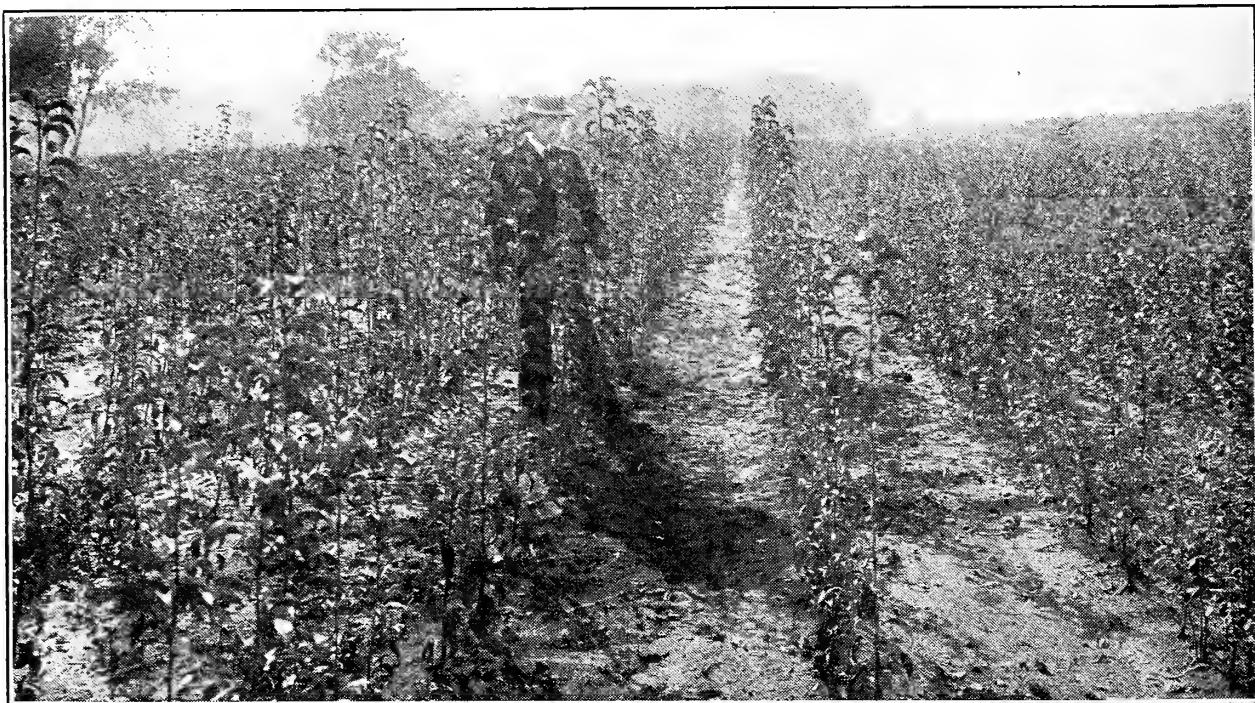
No other pear or apple tree that we know anything about is so fruitful as the GRIESA-DOUGLAS. It is more productive even than the Kieffer, and three-year-old trees have produced one-half bushel pears this year. The fruit is larger than the Kieffer and Bartlett; the color a golden yellow with frequently a pink shading covered with small gray dots on the side most exposed to the sun.

The flesh is white, fine grained and very tender, with a refreshing, sprightly flavor and great juiciness. Many have said that it equals the Bartlett in flavor and surpasses the Duchess d'Angouleme. Certainly in hardiness and productiveness these varieties are surpassed many times.

Cutting a GRIESA-DOUGLAS pear shows a small seed cavity with seeds of medium size. It has a long stem and grows mostly in clusters. The pear is more shapely than the Kieffer; in fact, it's MERE A P P E A R A N C E MAKES POSSIBLE TO SELL IT FOR FANCY PRICES.



Far better than Kieffer, more juicy than Bartlett—of good color and size for retailing.



This remarkable variety has borne fruit in the nursery row on trees that were only ten months old.

The Griesa-Douglas commences to bear fruit sooner than any other pear.

As the tree blooms late under ordinary conditions, the blossoms are never caught by the frost. The pears ripen just before the Kieffer, at that season of the year when the small fruits have passed, and fully a month after the Bartlett pear. The GRIESA-DOUGLAS will commence to bear fruit sooner than any other pear with which we are acquainted. This remarkable variety has borne fruit in the nursery row on trees that were only ten months old.

This wonderful early-bearing quality enables the buyer to prove the truth of the statements we make concerning the GRIESA-DOUGLAS PEAR in a very short time after the trees have been planted, something that is not possible with any other variety of pears. Pears as a class come into bearing at ages varying from twelve to eighteen years. For this reason, without considering its many other advantages, the GRIESA-DOUGLAS is destined to become the most widely planted pear in the United States.

"If the tree keeps up the same habits as since it began fruiting, it will change fruit growing!" says the veteran discoverer of this pear.

Read Mr. A. H. Griesa's letter to the *Rural New Yorker*:

Editor:

I send you a sample of the Douglas pear. I had some not quite as large sampled by grocers and fruit men; they were loud in praise of its quality, saying it was as good as the Seckel. From two trees two-year-old I picked one-half bushel. Its late ripening makes it come in at a good time, after peaches are gone. If the tree keeps up the same habits as it has here since it began fruit-

ing ten years ago, it will change fruit growing, as no fruit is in market at the same time that is really good.

A. H. GRIESA
Douglas Co., Kan.

The *Rural New Yorker* published a full size picture of the pear, and the editor said: "The quality is exceedingly good, flesh tender, juicy and melting, flavor rich and sweet. It is a handsome pear, and its general excellence seems to promise a great future both for home and market use.

"Certainly the samples of the GRIESA-DOUGLAS were A No. 1; first-rate in every particular. I think you have a real acquisition here."



AS the oldest nursery in the state of Kansas and one of the oldest in the entire country, we believe our statements regarding the appearance, flavor and early bearing qualities of the GRIESA-DOUGLAS PEAR, and in particular its blight-resistant qualities, should be given full credence. Back of every representation we make is nearly a half century of good conduct in the nursery business; an honored reputation for quality and dependable service; a name that money could not buy. This could not have been ours today had our business been built on other than true and faithful representation of the type and worth of all trees sold.

The vigor and healthfulness of the GRIESA-DOUGLAS trees bear witness to the hardiness of the pear. It is a profuse bearer annually, requiring neither a pampered rich soil nor soil of particular character, and growing very satisfactorily throughout all the varying conditions of soil and climate in different parts of the United States. The trees are now offered for sale only after the most exhaustive tests of the variety through long periods of experimentation. It is our firm belief that *no variety of any class of fruit has ever been subjected to such rigid and comprehensive experimental tests as the GRIESA-DOUGLAS.*

In comparing the GRIESA-DOUGLAS PEAR with others we have tried to show its character and to mark the exceptional points of superiority which the variety exhibits. Especially have we compared it with the Kieffer in order to call attention to the fruitful qualities of the GRIESA-DOUGLAS as well as to emphasize the great disease-resisting qualities of this new variety.

Until recently, horticulturists had considered the Kieffer the hardiest and most disease-resistant of all varieties of pears. It is natural, therefore, that Kieffer should be chosen in making comparative studies from the standpoint of the tree alone. We claim that the GRIESA-DOUGLAS possesses all the desirable qualities of Kieffer with respect to vigor and health and abundance of fruit. Added to these the fruit has a juiciness and quality of flavor equal to and surpassing the Bartlett and Duchesse d'Angouleme. If in a single night you could change your Kieffer trees into Bartlett, retaining at the same time all the health and vigor of the former and preserving the high quality and rich flavor of the Bartlett, even then you would not have improved on the GRIESA-DOUGLAS. This, indeed, is the pear of the future and has no equals.



A Griesa-Douglas pear tree three years old.—The trees are vigorous growers, are free from insect infestations and fungous diseases, and make extensive root systems.



“Distinctly better than Kieffer and particularly attractive in appearance”, says the Year Book of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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the buds were especially good, and Mr. Griesa at once became interested in it. It was at his suggestion that the name "Douglas," the county in which it originated, was applied to it. Though it has been known locally for several years by this name, the latter does not appear to have been published until it appeared in a leaflet issued by Mr. Griesa in 1910. The variety was first propagated by him in 1907, but not disseminated until 1911.

In growth the tree is said to resemble the Angouleme. Thus far, in the region in which it originated it has been entirely free from blight, though other pear trees in the same locality have blighted seriously. Bearing begins remarkably early; trees 2 and 3 years old frequently producing some fruit. It blossoms a few days later than the Kieffer, or about with the Angouleme. The original tree is still in good thrifty condition.⁴

DESCRIPTION.

Form obovate or roundish obovate; size medium to large; cavity regular, medium to large, depth medium, slope gradual, slightly russeted; stem very long, rather slender; basin slightly irregular, medium in size; rather shallow, slope gradual, slightly ribbed; calyx segments short, fleshy, converging; eye medium, open or partially closed; surface smooth except where slight undulations occur, sometimes slightly russeted in small patches; color yellow, characteristically blotched and mottled with small irregular scarlet markings on the exposed side, dots numerous, in many cases appearing as minute russeted spots; skin thin; core oval, clasping, rather large, closed; seeds of medium size, not very plump, dark brown; flesh whitish or greenish white, moderately fine grained, melting, very juicy, with occasional coarse granules in the flesh; flavor subacid, with slight astringency; quality good; season about with the Kieffer or a little earlier—from the first to the middle of October in the locality of its origin.

Though this variety does not rate as high in flavor and dessert quality as many varieties, it is distinctly better than the Kieffer and is particularly attractive in appearance. The vigor and healthfulness of the tree, and especially its freedom from blight, make it a promising new variety and one that should be widely tested.

The specimen illustrated in Plate IV was grown by Mr. A. H. Griesa, Lawrence, Douglas County, Kans., in 1912.

*Letter from Mr. A. H. Griesa, Mar. 1912.

See Note to "Year Book of Agriculture, 1912."

PLATE IV



The Year book, continuing, said: "The vigor and healthfulness of the tree, and especially its freedom from blight, make it a promising new variety and one that should be widely tested."

The GRIESA-DOUGLAS PEAR has been extensively tested throughout the United States. Everywhere it has stood the test. We do not know of any other pear which ever received such wide distribution for the purpose of scrutiny as to habits, tendencies, and possibilities of development for the tree and its fruit, and the steadily increasing quantity of letters which we have received commending the GRIESA-DOUGLAS in highest terms is our best assurance that the variety is all, even more, than we claim.

"This pear is certainly a most excellent fruit, one which seems to me should prove a great acquisition."

E. H. FAVOR, Managing Editor
"Fruit Grower and Farmer."



J. H. Hale,
peach-grower
at Seymour
and at South
Glastonbury,
Conn., and Ft.
Valley, Ga.,
says:

"I am glad to know something of the history of the Douglas pear and its early bearing and blight resisting qualities; those are certainly strong points and then the thick, tough skin and great beauty would give it commercial value.

"I have just tested the second of the three samples you sent me and I think it is better than the first. It is really a first-class eating pear, one of so good quality as to be eaten freely as a dessert pear anywhere. I should count it of the commercial class with Concord grape, Bartlett pear and Baldwin apple, a **SURE MONEY MAKER EVERYWHERE**, and I think you have tempted me to want to plant a few hundred trees of it here commercially, where we are not growing any pears at all."

Yours very truly,
J. H. HALE.



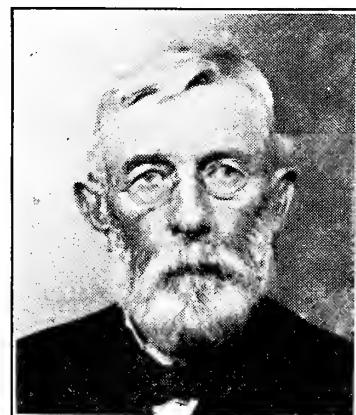
The GRIESA-DOUGLAS is an earlier bearer than any other variety of pear. These trees often bear fruit at one year old in the nursery row. This photograph shows a two year old.



“In quality it is the best of all the hybrid pears of its class”, says U. P. Hedrick, Horticulturist of the New York Experiment Station at Geneva, N. Y.

“This is the second time that I have had an opportunity of seeing and tasting this pear (the GRIESA-DOUGLAS), and I am more favorably impressed with it at this writing than I was before. In quality it is the best of all the hybrid pears of its class. It is certainly much better than the Kieffer so commonly grown. Should the tree prove to be relatively blight proof, I am of the opinion that you have a valuable new variety.”

Very truly yours,
U. P. HEDRICK



“AS FINE-FLAVORED AS THE BARTLETT.”

Paonia, Colo.

“I am well pleased with it, both in appearance and flavor. It is as fine-flavored as the Bartlett and as fine grained. Trees show no blight.”

MERLE A. MILLER, Fruit Grower

Chas. Parry

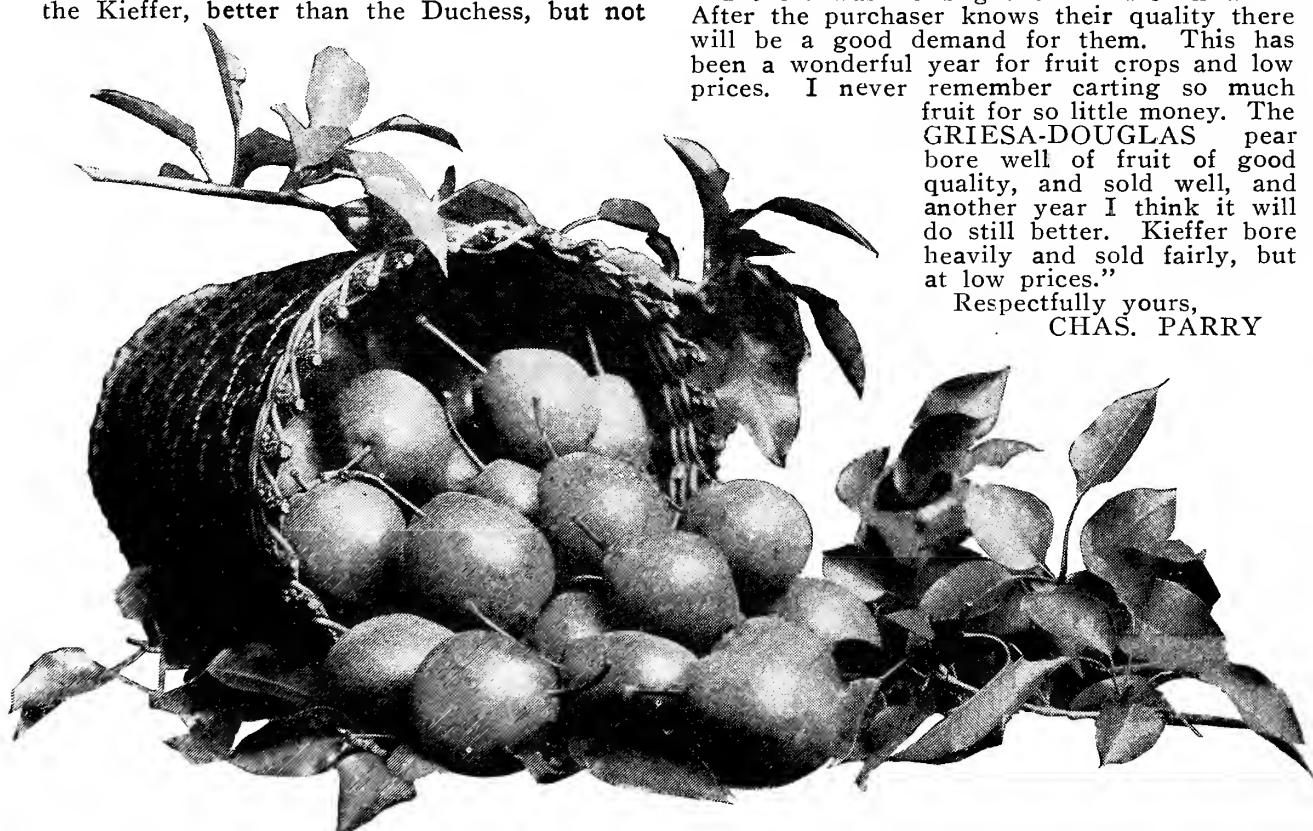
“A Pear that will be in great demand”
says Chas. Parry, veteran Pear Grower and Originator of the Kieffer.

Mr. Parry writing from Riverton, New Jersey, says:

“We had about a dozen pears (the GRIESA-DOUGLAS) that stuck to the trees until ripe. The quality was very good, much superior to the Kieffer, better than the Duchess, but not

equal to the Seckel, which is not necessary. The trees are better growers than Europeans, and there was no blight or disease on them. After the purchaser knows their quality there will be a good demand for them. This has been a wonderful year for fruit crops and low prices. I never remember carting so much fruit for so little money. The GRIESA-DOUGLAS pear bore well of fruit of good quality, and sold well, and another year I think it will do still better. Kieffer bore heavily and sold fairly, but at low prices.”

Respectfully yours,
CHAS. PARRY



The GRIESA-DOUGLAS is a pear of highest quality. We can not better describe nor more highly recommend it than to say it is a “Bartlett without the blight.” There is none of that coarseness or sandiness of texture so characteristic of Kieffer and other varieties.

MOUNT HOPE NURSERIES

LAWRENCE, KANSAS.

READ WHAT
THE PRESIDENT
of the AMERICAN
POMOLOGICAL
SOCIETY says about
the GRIESA-DOUG-
LAS:

"Received your box
of GRIESA-DOUG-
LAS pears and am
delighted to find the
pears so delicious, in
flavor, juiciness, char-
acter and quality. It
is certainly worthy of
propagation.

"The Ad Interim
committee of the
American Pomological
Society will make
a report on the pear
from the Department
of Pomology. I have
sent your letter on to
the U. S. Pomologist,
Hon. G. B. Brackett."

L. A. GOODMAN

A. M. AUGUS-
TINE, Secretary Illinois
State Horticulture
Society, writes:

"Your favor of the
10th inst. came duly
to hand, and also the
samples of the
GRIESA-DOUGLAS
pear, the last one of
which I ate yester-
day. We were very
much impressed with
the appearance of the
fruit; it certainly is
handsome in shape
and coloring, and
from all appearances
SHOULD BE AN
EXCELLENT COM-
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RIETY.

"In quality, we
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good as Duchess, all
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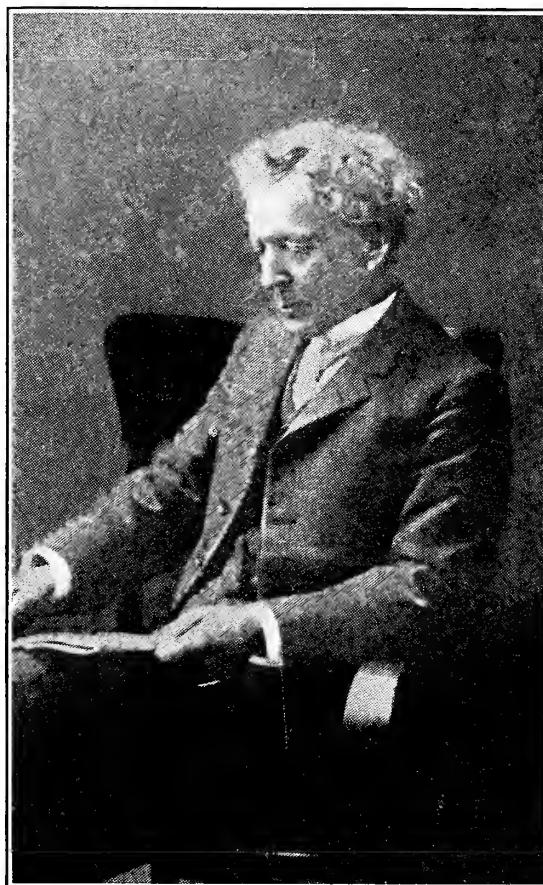
Yours sincerely,
A. M. AUGUSTINE



Two-year-old GRIESA-DOUGLAS trees in the nursery row, al-
ready in bearing with delicious pears.



“Fruit large, handsome and superior quality”, says Luther Burbank, the “wizard of Horticulture.”



Luther Burbank

Santa Rosa, California, U.S.A.
December 18, 1914.

Dear Sir:—

The DOUGLAS pear bore good fruit this season. The tree is an unusually vigorous grower, with fine healthy foliage; an early bearer. Fruit large, handsome and of superior quality for one of its class. Far superior to Kieffer and almost equal to Bartlett.

Faithfully,

(Signed)

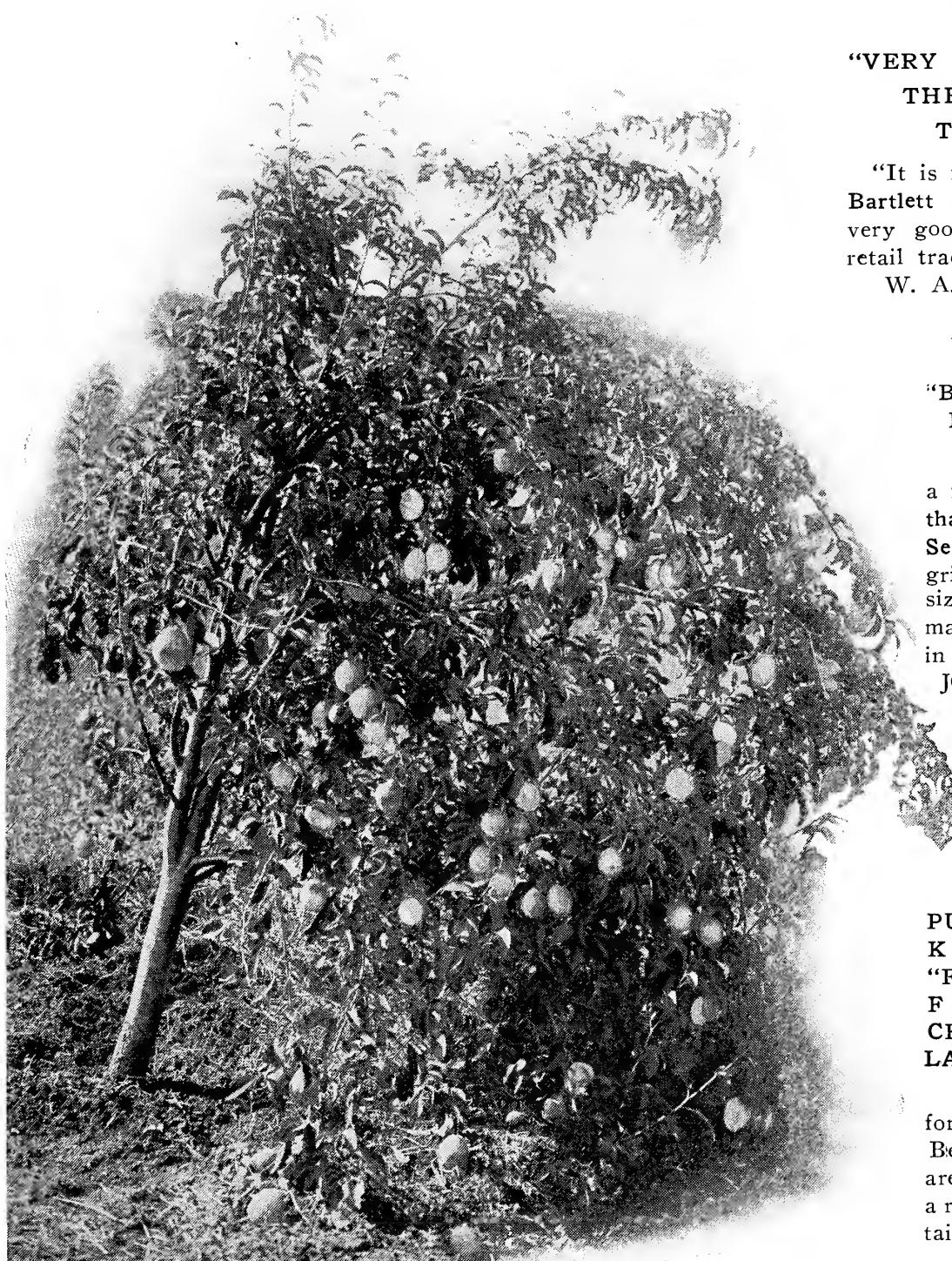
LUTHER BURBANK

Even in the very hot dry season when apples grew to but a third their size, the Griesa-Douglas Pear did finely for Benj. Buckman of "Fruit & Farming", Farmingdale, Ill.

"The two small Douglas pear trees from you last year, gave me four pears this fall, which showed it to be an early bearer. Tree vigorous, high colored bark, very large, thick, glossy leaves. No blight. Fruit large, Kieffer-shaped, but seldom so oblong, color green, turning golden yellow. One-fourth covered thinly in specks with blood red and very minute green and brown specks. Little russet,

stem very long, scarcely any cavity, calyx small in small basin. Flesh whitish, fine-grained, soft, very juicy and refreshing, a trifle astringent. Quality good to very good, core small, seeds some to few, season October 1. The season has been very hot and dry, apples only one-third their size. I think the GRIESA-DOUGLAS promises to be valuable."

BENJ. BUCKMAN



A more profuse bearer than even the prolific Kieffer. This is a four-year-old GRIESA-DOUGLAS.

"VERY GOOD FOR THE RETAIL TRADE."

"It is fine, better than Bartlett or Clairgeau; a very good pear for the retail trade."

W. A. DUNMIRE

"BETTER THAN BARTLETT."

"It is certainly a fine pear, better than Bartlett or Seckel and no gritty parts. Its size and color make it desirable in the market."

JOHN McCURDY

ANOTHER
PUBLISHER, E.
KOCH, OF
"FARM AND
FRUIT,"
CROSSE TETE,
LA., WROTE:

"Many thanks for the pears. Beauties they are. Your claims are fully sustained."

E. KOCH



“It ranks in quality with the best, and there is no question but it will outrank the best, if free from blight”
says J. L. Pelham, Secretary Kansas State Horticultural Society.

“I feel that I have been in the fruit business long enough to know a good pear when I see and sample it. So far as the appearance of the fruit goes, it is such that it would attract attention on any table of fruit due to its smoothness and plumpness. In so far as the quality is concerned that is, of course, merely a matter of personal taste. As it ranks in quality with the best, there is no question but it will outrank the best, if, as you say it is free from blight.

“I have met many people in the last few years that have been interested in the growing of pears, but have had to give up the pear as a productive crop owing to the injury from blight. If the GRIESA-DOUGLAS holds out to your expectation. I think the quicker you can collect reports from the many different growers who now have the Douglas pear and scatter this information broadcast among the fruit growers, it would certainly renew interest in pear growing.”

Yours very truly,
J. L. PELHAM

IN A LATER LETTER ABOUT THE GRIESA-DOUGLAS Mr. Pelham says:

“I think it is much better than the Kieffer. In my statement in which I said ‘as it ranks in quality with the best,’ I had in mind the Bartlett, and certainly, if it proves to be free from blight, I think my further statement, that it would out-rank the best would still hold. It is the blight that is the curse to the pear business.”

Yours very truly,
J. L. PELHAM

“WILL BECOME FAMOUS AS WELL AS PROFITABLE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY,” says B. F. Smith, President Kansas State Horticultural Society.

“A new fruit of merit. We are greatly in need of a new sort of pear that is not subject to blight. Pear culture has fallen behind on account of this blighting of nearly all the old favorites; as the Bartlett, Anjou, and others. Recently a new seedling has been produced (the Griesa-Douglas) from Kieffer seed. It is about as large, ripens about the same time; in flavor, to my taste, as good as the well known Bartlett. The



The Griesa-Douglas hangs on the tree better than the Kieffer, and is less subject to rot.

tree is a strong grower and begins to bear when two years old. Mr. Griesa has had many years of experience in testing new fruits, and has never offered any new fruit that was unworthy or unprofitable. It is the opinion of the writer, who has forty years' experience with growing pears, that this seedling will become famous as well as profitable throughout the country.”



The Mt. Hope Nurseries at Lawrence, Kansas, located in the peaceful uplands of the Kaw Valley, one of the greatest tree-growing districts in the world.

"A long keeper and a splendid shipper"--- the Griesa-Douglas pear will stand rougher handling than most of the common varieties of pears, and keeps well for

a very considerable length of time. This makes it an ideal variety for general and commercial purposes

These practical features, together with its exceptionally high quality of flavor, and taken in connection with the fact that it ripens at that season of the year when small fruits have passed, a month, even, after the celebrated Bartlett pear—assures the GRIESA-DOUGLAS a future of the greatest possibilities. Where only one tree is to be planted, plant the GRIESA-DOUGLAS. Room enough in

every yard can be found for one or more of these trees. This variety requires very little culture and attention and will give you greater return of fruit and more satisfaction in general than any tree you have ever planted. The characteristic reddish tinge of the leaves, and the graceful, semi-drooping yet vigorous growing branches of the GRIESA-DOUGLAS, seem at once to instill the planter with confidence in his new acquisition. A single GRIESA-DOUGLAS tree will make a pear enthusiast out of you, and in a single season.



"The most delicious pears I ever tasted," says Arthur Capper, Gov. of Kansas, millionaire publisher of the Topeka Capital, Farmers Mail and Breeze, and a half dozen other well-known publications.



FROM J. C. WHITTEN, HORTICULTURIST MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HORTICULTURE, COMES THIS LETTER:

"I was much interested in sampling the GRIESA-DOUGLAS pears which you sent me for that purpose. These pears certainly were of good size and fine appearance, as large as the largest Kieffer and slightly handsomer; in quality I found them better than the Kieffer and in my judgment, fully equal to the Duchess.

"I am making note of this variety in order to secure from you, if possible, two or three trees next spring for testing out in our Experiment Station grounds."

Yours very truly,

J. C. WHITTEN

PROF. ALBERT DICKENS, OF KANSAS STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE SAYS ABOUT THE GRIESA-DOUGLAS:

"We wish to thank you for the specimens of the Douglas pear received last week. It is certainly far superior to Garber and Kieffer. This variety in our testing grounds has made a very fair growth considering the seasons, is now a handsome, thrifty young tree, and has so far shown no indication of blight."

Very truly yours,

ALBERT DICKENS

I. J. GRAY, SECRETARY DOUGLAS COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY, DOUGLAS COUNTY, KANSAS—a man who has seen the Griesa-Douglas at every stage in its development, writes:

"The new pear which you have developed by uniting a seedling Kieffer and Duchess and naming it the DOUGLAS, is indeed a production of the highest merit. Its smooth exterior renders it attractive to the eye, and the rind is much thinner than any variety with which I am acquainted. Its flavor can not fail to be pleasing and its juice is super-abundant. The length of its stem is favorable, and the core is the smallest I have observed of any pear of its size. However its chief excellence is in the fact that it will come into bearing the next year after planting. That is bound to make it a winner. You are to be congratulated."

I. J. GRAY

"EVEN BETTER THAN THE SECKEL."

"I always thought the Seckel the best pear we had, but this is even better; more juicy, fine grained, and refreshing."

H. HOLLINGBERRY

"COMES AT A TIME WHEN THEY WOULD SELL."

"That is a very fine pear, better than Bartlett or even Seckel. Fine shape, best quality, full of juice; comes at a time when they would sell."

WM. LA COSS

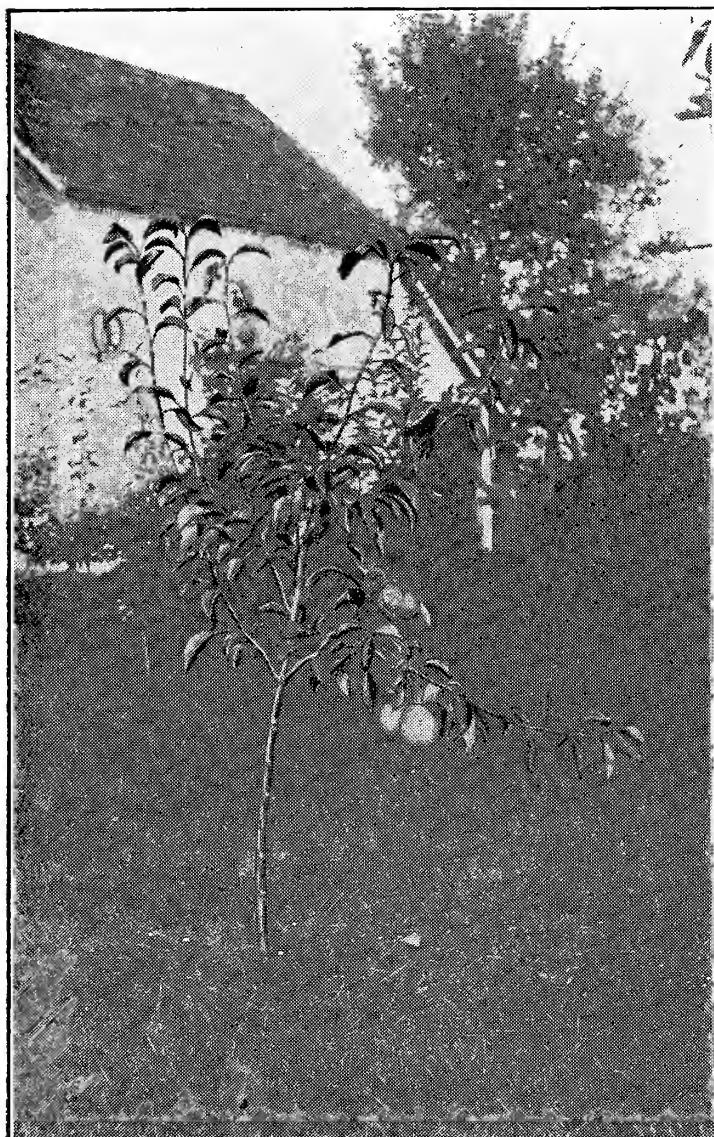


The GRIESA-DOUGLAS is the best variety of pear for general planting in competition with all others.



"Remarkable for its entire absence of heavy wood core so common in the Kieffer", says S. J. Hunter, State Entomologist of Kansas.

"I have examined the pear A. H. Griesa has named the DOUGLAS, after the county in which it originated. This pear in shape, size, and color resembles the Kieffer; it differs markedly, however, in texture and flavor. In texture it is almost as fine as the Bartlett and is remarkable for its entire absence of the heavy wood core, so common in the Kieffer. **In flavor it may be compared to the refreshing juicy taste of the Duchess.** It is noteworthy that such a pear should be produced at such a late season, after all varieties of desirable pears have gone."



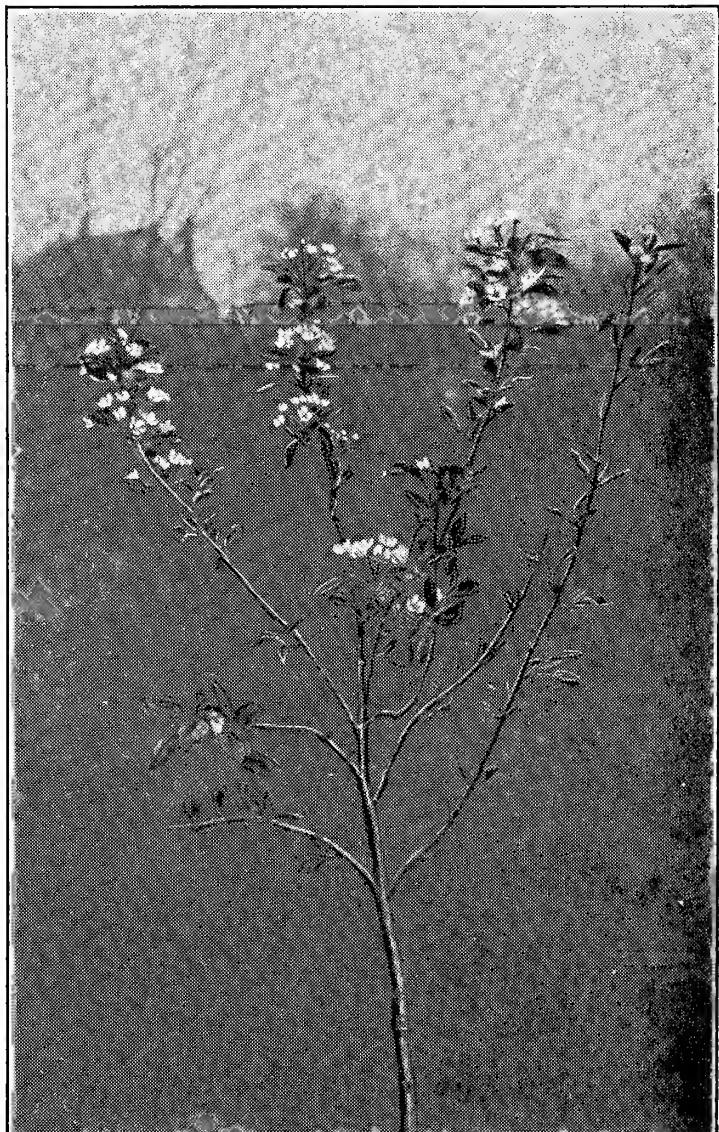
A Douglas Pear Tree on lawn of Prof. Harsbarger, Topeka, Kan., 1-year tree, 4 large pears the second season.

Prairie View, Lake County, Ill.
We had a very dry, hot summer, the worst I ever saw for blight. A tree 16 feet from the Douglas blighted bad, but the Douglas never showed a bit of blight. My tree is about 8 feet high and ripened nine large pears, averaging 7 ounces each. The quality was fine; well satisfied.

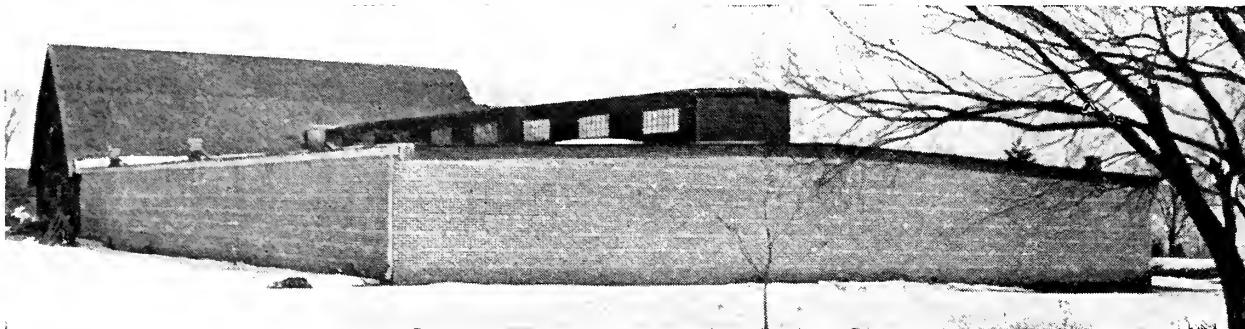
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